

## CHAPTER 8 SECTION 16.1

### LIQUID PROTEIN DIETS

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#### I. DESCRIPTION

**Protein sparing fast diets using predigested protein.**

#### II. POLICY

Nonsurgical treatment of obesity, morbid obesity, dietary control or weight control is not covered. Therefore, any charges associated with the liquid protein diet are not covered which includes the cost of the predigested protein, physician's visits and any testing performed in relation to the diet.

#### III. POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Treatment of complications as a result of the diet are subject to the regulatory provisions on complications from noncovered treatment.

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